

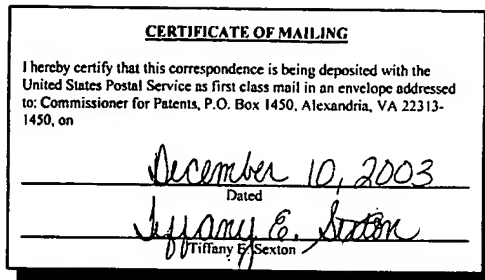


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IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

Serial No. 10/070,233 )  
Filed: June 14, 2002 )  
For: PORTABLE LOAD )  
INDICATING DEVICE FOR )  
A RAIL VEHICLE )  
Inventor: Horsefall )  
Examiner: Not yet assigned )  
Art Unit: 2841 )  
Attorney Docket No.: 198/40109/ )  
469-PCT-US )



Commissioner for Patents  
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STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, respectfully request a report as to the status of the above-noted application. This application was filed on February 28, 2002, and accorded a filing date of June 14, 2002 under 35 U.S.C. §371, and as of the date of this letter, no Office Action has been received in this matter. The purpose of this letter is to insure that an Office Action has not been misdirected in the mail and, if no Office Action has been forwarded, Applicant requests an estimate as to when it might expect an Office Action in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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